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### **County Leaders to Take the Lead at MACo Summer Conference**

FREDERICK, MD – Frederick County leaders will play leading roles at the 2016 Maryland Association of Counties (MACo) Summer Conference that will be held August 17-20 at the Roland Powell Convention Center in Ocean City, Md.

County Executive Jan Gardner, who was president of MACo in 2007, will moderate a panel on “Data-Driven Justice: Using Data to Lead to Better Outcomes in Criminal Justice,” and speak at a session titled, “To Boldly Go . . . Toward Better Modern Schools,” providing an update on the 21<sup>st</sup> Century School Facilities Commission.

Additionally, Dr. Barbara Brookmyer, Health Department, will co-lead a session titled, “Learn to Save a Life – Naloxone Training for Opioid Overdoses.” Director Jack Markey, Emergency Management Division, will speak on “9-1-1: The Next Generation – Everything Will Change, Except the Numbers.”

“Frederick County will be well represented at the conference and we look forward to sharing our expertise with other county officials,” said Executive Gardner. “I look forward to speaking on school construction issues and the need for the state to maintain its commitment to public education while counties develop options and incentives to more effectively leverage our share of state dollars.”

She will also attend the MACo Partner Appreciation Dinner, Board of Directors meeting, Large County Coalition meeting, Legislative Initiatives Subcommittee meeting, County Elected Officials Forum, Women of MACo luncheon, Governor’s Cabinet Reception and closing address by the governor. In addition, she will meet with Maryland Transportation Secretary Pete Rahn to discuss county priorities.

The conference is themed “Cyber Solutions: Counties in the Digital Age” and will focus on digital trends, cyber threats and technological solutions. The agenda also includes social media use, telecommuting for county employees, environmental updates, protecting children from cybercrime, concussions, funding methods for technology, and a Q&A session on medical cannabis. Attendees will have the chance to hear from experts to learn from their experiences and insights.

The conference schedule, descriptions of the educational sessions, and a listing of exhibitors can be found at [www.mdcounties.org/MACoCon](http://www.mdcounties.org/MACoCon).

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